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April 9, 2020

#### Independent Practitioners' Review Engagement Report

To the members of Recycling Congress of Ontario

We have reviewed the accompanying financial statements of Recycling Congress of Ontario that comprise the balance sheet at May 31, 2019, and the statements of operations, net assets and cash flows for the year then ended, and a summary of significant accounting policies and other explanatory information.

### Management's Responsibility for the Financial Statements

Management is responsible for the preparation and fair presentation of these financial statements in accordance with Canadian accounting standards for not-for-profit organizations, and for such internal control as management determines is necessary to enable the preparation of financial statements that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

#### Practitioners' Responsibility

Our responsibility is to express a conclusion on the accompanying financial statements based on our review. We conducted our review in accordance with Canadian generally accepted standards for review engagements, which require us to comply with relevant ethical requirements.

A review of financial statements in accordance with Canadian generally accepted standards for review engagements is a limited assurance engagement. The practitioner performs procedures, primarily consisting of making inquiries of management and others within the entity, as appropriate, and applying analytical procedures, and evaluates the evidence obtained.

The procedure performed in a review are substantially less in extent than, and vary in nature from, those performed in an audit conducted in accordance with Canadian generally accepted auditing standards. Accordingly, we do not express an audit opinion on these financial statements.

#### Conclusion

Based on our review, nothing has come to our attention that causes us to believe that the financial statements do not present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of Recycling Congress of Ontario as at May 31, 2019, and the results of its operations and its cash flows for the year then ended in accordance with Canadian accounting standards for not-for-profit organizations.

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**Balance Sheet** Page 2

	Ma <sub>j</sub>		y 31	
	Notes	2019	2018	
Assets		(unaudited)		
Current Cash Restricted funds		\$ 75,207 -	\$ 5,719 250,000	
Accounts receivable GST/HST receivable Prepaid expenses and sundry assets		60,154 76,479 36,267	156,330 30,626 	
		\$ 248,107	\$ 442,675	
Liabilities				
Current				
Accounts payable and accrued liabilities		\$ 180,497	\$ 178,832	
Government remittances payable Current portion of bank loan Due to the Ministry of the Environment,	3	105,341 39,048	127,881 43,116	
Conservation and Parks Deferred income	4	- 96,117	4,500 288,945	
		421,003	643,274	
Long term		.==,655	- · - <b>, -</b> · ·	
Long term portion of bank loan  Due to the Ministry of the Environment,	3	-	39,048	
Conservation and Parks	5	525,626	510,665	
Members' deficiency		946,629	1,192,987	
Net assets		(698,522)	(750,312)	
		\$ 248,107	\$ 442,675	
Going Concern	1			
See accompanying notes				
Approved on behalf of the Board of Directors of the Recycling Congress of Ontario				

Peter Veiga, Chair

Jo-Anne St. Godard, Executive Director



# Statements of Revenue and Expenses and Changes in Net Assets

	Year ended May 31			
		2019 (unaudited)		2018
Revenue				
Sponsorships and donations Government Grant	\$	443,929 576,797	\$	365,004
Functions Membership fees		- 74,985		26,905 68,829
Donations		3,557		-
Interest income Fees		1,063		678
Sundry		125,435 209,585		175,825 74,613
	_	1,435,351	_	711,854
Expenses				
Membership		26,000		38,656
Administrative and policy		51,557		60,484
Service Programs		1,306,004		5,808 637,017
		1,383,561	_	741,965
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Excess of revenue over expenses (expenses over revenue) for the year		51,790		(30,111)
Net assets, beginning of year		(750,312)		(720,201)
Net assets, end of year	\$	(698,522)	\$	(750,312)

See accompanying notes



Net cash provided by (used in) Operations		Year e 2019 (unaudited)	May 31 2018	
Excess of revenue over expenses (expenses over revenue) for the year	\$	51,790	\$	(30,111)
Changes in non-cash working capital items Accounts receivable GST/HST receivable Prepaid expenses and sundry assets Deferred expenses Accounts payable and accrued liabilities Government remittances payable Deferred income		113,407 (45,853) (36,267) (17,231) 12,126 (22,540) (192,828)		(3,210) (14,088) - 95,479 (16,573) 35,495 221,813
Financing Bank indebtedness	_	(43,116)		288,805
Net increase (decrease) in cash during year		(180,512)		248,244
Cash, beginning of year		255,719		7,475
Cash, end of year	\$	75,207	\$	255,719

See accompanying notes



Recycling Congress of Ontario, which operates under the name of Recycling Council of Ontario, aims to inform and educate all members of society about the generation of waste, the avoidance of waste, the more efficient use of resources and the benefits and/or consequences of these activities.

Recycling Congress of Ontario, which received its Letters Patent as a corporation without share capital under the laws of the Province of Ontario on December 13, 1978, is a registered charity and is exempt from income tax under section 149(1)(f) of the Canadian Income Tax Act.

#### 1. Going Concern

The accompanying financial statements have been prepared in conformity with Canadian accounting standards for not-for-profit organizations which contemplate continuation of the organization as a going concern. In the current year the organization was profitable, however, as of May 31, 2019 the organization has significant liabilities in excess of assets and an accumulated deficit of \$698,522. The ability of the organization to continue as a going concern is dependent upon its ability to reach an acceptable agreement with the Ministry of the Environment, Conservation and Parks (MOECP) (Note 5) and upon its ability to raise additional capital to settle the remaining deficit. These uncertainties cast significant doubt upon the organization's ability to continue as a going concern.

#### 2. Summary of accounting policies

#### **Basis of presentation**

These financial statements have been prepared using the Canadian accounting standards for not-for-profit organizations.

#### **Fund accounting**

These financial statements are prepared on a restricted fund accounting basis:

#### General fund

The general fund accounts for the organizations general programming and administrative activities.

#### Operating reserve fund

The organization has determined that 50% of the salaries and administrative expenses included in the organization's budget for the following fiscal year should be established as an operating reserve fund. A transfer is made to or from this fund annually to reflect the amount required in the fund.

In light of the organization's current cash position and programme commitments, the Board has decided to defer providing for the operating reserve until economic conditions improve.



# 2. Summary of accounting policies (continued)

#### Capital assets

Capital assets are expensed as acquired. During the year \$nil (2018 - \$nil) has been expensed.

#### Revenue recognition

Government grants, sponsorships and membership fees received are taken into income in the year to which they relate. Amounts received that relate to future fiscal periods are recorded as deferred income or until the related costs are incurred.

Functions revenue, fees for services and other sundry income are recognized in revenue when received or receivable if the amount to be received can be reasonably estimated and collection is reasonably assured.

Donations are taken into income on a cash collected basis. Donations in-kind are recorded where the fair market value of the donation is provided by the donor.

During the year, the organization received donations in kind of \$nil (2018 - \$nil).

## Allocation of expenses

Administration expenses are allocated to projects based on management's estimate of time spent on such projects.

### Recoverable program costs

Costs related to programmes under development are capitalized until the programmes are approved; upon approval, such costs are fully recoverable.

#### Volunteer support

These financial statements do not reflect the value of services contributed by volunteers due to the difficulty of determining their value.

#### Financial instruments

The organization initially measures its financial assets and liabilities at fair value. The organization subsequently measures all its financial assets and financial liabilities at amortized cost. Financial assets measured at amortized cost include cash, accounts receivable and GST/HST receivable. Financial liabilities measured at amortized cost include, accounts payable and accrued liabilities and government remittances payable. The organization has not designated any financial liability to be measured at fair value.

#### Use of estimates

The preparation of financial statements in conformity with Canadian accounting standards for not-for-profit organizations require management to make estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amounts of assets and liabilities, the disclosure of contingent assets and liabilities at the date of the financial statements, and the reported amount of revenue and expenses during the reporting period. Significant items subject to such estimates and assumptions include valuation of accounts receivable, deferred income, and the estimated useful life of capital assets. Actual results may differ from those estimates.



3.	Bank loan  Bank loan payable to Alterna bearing interest at prime plus 6.20% calculated monthly, payable	2019		2018	
	in blended monthly principal and interest payments of \$4,000, due on March 31, 2020	\$	39,048	\$	82,164
	less current portion		39,048		43,116
	Long term portion	\$	-	\$	39,048

Minimum principal repayments are as follows:

2020

\$ 39.048

#### 4. Deferred income

	Balance beginning of year	Amount received during the year	Recognized as revenue during the year	Balance end of year
Memberships 10,000 Changes CP Summit Take Back The Light 3R Certification Food Waste Pilot	\$ 24,958 - - 167 23,636 240,184	\$ 59,175 607,500 39,850 - - -	\$ 74,895 560,548 - - 23,636 240,184	\$ 9,148 46,952 39,850 167 -
	\$ 288,945	\$ 706,525	\$ 899,353	\$ 96,117

### 5. Due to the Ministry of the Environment, Conservation and Parks

In 2012, the MOECP awarded the organization a contract and associated grant funding to develop and operate the Municipal Hazardous and Special Waste Program - Phase 2. Subsequent to funding of this grant, in 2015, the MOECP unexpectedly cancelled the program. Upon cancellation, the MOECP partially reimbursed the organization's stranded costs related to plan development and implementation and demanded repayment of the remaining grant funds. The total contract value awarded was 10.5 million dollars. However, at the time of early cancellation only \$4.28 million dollars of this had been disbursed to the organization.

In December 2018, the organization received a notice of assessment from the MOECP, stating the organization still owed \$526,422, which included the original balance owing plus interest accrued at 0.38333% per day.

RCO was invited and presented several proposals to MOECP to settle the debt that included a combination of cash and in-kind work. In April 2019, the organization reached an agreement with MOECP for the cash portion of the re-payment comprising monthly payments of \$4,500 for the period April 2019 to May 2020, at which time terms would be revisited. The MOECP agreed to consider the in-kind work portion of the organization's proposal. Since the time of that agreement the organization has paid \$18,750 of the debt however there has been no decision regarding in-kind work.



### 5. Due to the Ministry of the Environment, Conservation and Parks(continued)

In October 2019, the organization again requested to resume discussion regarding the terms of its debt to the MOECP by the way of forgiveness, partial payment, in-kind services and interest relief. As of the date of approval of the May 31, 2019 financial statements by the Board of Directors on April 9, 2020, the organization had not yet received a response .

#### 6. Subsequent event

In July 2019, the organization applied for interest relief from the Canadian Revenue Agency (CRA) relating to interest charged on outstanding payroll liabilities. In December 2019, CRA agreed to forgive \$21,845 in interest assessed for the period January 1, 2015 to December 31, 2017.

#### 7. Financial risks

#### Credit risk

Financial instruments that potentially subject the organization to concentrations of credit risk are accounts receivable. The organization ensures that all its customers are known to the organization and are credit worthy.

## Liquidity risk

Liquidity risk is the risk that the organization will encounter difficulty meeting obligations associated with financial obligations. The organization manages this risk by reviewing budget and cash flow needs and by ensuring it has sufficient credit facilities available to meet current and long-term financial needs.

#### Interest rate risk

Interest rate risk is the risk that the future cash flows of a financial instrument will fluctuate because of changes in market interest rates. The organization is exposed to interest rate risk on its demand loan as described in Note 4. Specifically, the organization is exposed due to changes in market rates of interest. The exposure to this risk fluctuates as the debt changes from year to year.

### 8. Reclassification of prior year presentation

Certain prior year amounts have been reclassified to provide comparison with current year presentation. This classification had no effect on the reported results of operation.



